

**ALEXANDRIA TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
APRIL 13, 2016**

This meeting was advertised in the Hunterdon County Democrat, notice posted in the Alexandria Township Municipal Offices and the Alexandria Township Website, (www.alexandrianj.gov) as required by the Open Public Meetings Act.

Meeting Called to order at 7:38 PM.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Comm. Garay, Comm. Abraham, Mayor Pfefferle, Attorney Dragan

Absent: None

FLAG SALUTE:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION REPORT:

No Report

- FARMLAND/OPEN SPACE:

Open Space Chair Fritsche was present. Noted that there are a few pending applications, the most recent application is the Kluber property. Governor Christie hasn't signed legislation yet to help support the State Farmland Preservation Program. Alexandria Township may need to pay more towards preserving a property due to this. An update to the Zander Property is that Kingwood has come up with their share of the money towards preservation and the application is moving forward.

- PARK & RECREATION REPORT:

Chair Tufaro was present. Noted that Park/Rec met last night. A girl scout made a presentation to do a community garden area that will be placed down by Karabin's corner. Fishing Derby is this Saturday, April 16th at Brunner's Pond. A commemoration ceremony will be done at a later date since plaque didn't come in yet. Fun Run is this Sunday, April 17th at the Park. Ice bowl April 30th-May 1st at the Park. A bunch of pavilion rentals have been reserved. Another Fun Run is scheduled for June 4th at the Park. There is a concern amongst sports organizations that use the park regarding lightening and if the Township has a shelter for the kids to go to. The park barn was used recently during a storm but kids were climbing on DPW equipment. Chair Tufaro will reach out to the insurance company again about the pavilion being used as a lightening shelter. A mat could be purchased for the floor of the pavilion in the event of a lightning strike. A facility use checklist will be made up to help assist with making sure paperwork is complete and submitted in a timely fashion. Disc Golf wants to move pole 2 and 3 so they aren't up against the walking trail.

- ROAD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Chair Garay read the following report prepared by DPW Foreman Glenn Griffith:

Park Maintenance:

- 1.) Cleaned up all the small tree limbs and branches from grass areas;
- 2.) Cleaned stone out of the grass from snow plowing;
- 3.) Removed 1 dead pine tree out by the flag pole;
- 4.) Installed railing on the end of the front porch- 6' long ;
- 5.) Lowered 2 exit doors on the barn to help with A.D.A. compliance ;

- 6.) We installed (3) concrete pads 5' x 5' on the outside of the barn exit doors to make the doors A.D.A. compliant on the outside;
- 7.) Inspected the playground equipment and checked all the bolts to make sure they were tight and secure. Mulch height is correct ;
- 8.) We installed a door at the pavilion to cover the electrical panel to keep the rain out;
- 9.) Garbage and recycling are ongoing ;
- 10.) First day of grass mowing was April 1st (not a joke)

Tree maintenance:

- 1.) Schick Road- large maple tree, good portion of the tree was dying ;
- 2.) Woolf Road (top)- 3 trees 12" to 15" storm damage ;
- 3.) Tree limbs and branches throughout the Township due to wind damage

Tub Grinding: ground 85% of our brush pile- mulch is available outside the gate

Drainage Repair:

Cross over pipe on Rick Road below Melita Road. Last section of pipe separated, reset pipe and repaired scour hole.

Equipment maintenance- ongoing

One noteworthy project: removed the metal floor of the dump body on a 1994, L-8000 and replaced with a new piece AR400 86" wide x 103" long.

Gravel Road maintenance ongoing

Pepe Property:

- 1.) Samples of the septic field have been taken and waiting for results
- 2.) Chemicals and paints have been taken to Hunterdon County during their cleanup day to be disposed of properly.

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR AGENDA RELATED MATTERS ONLY:

Several residents from the Woodside Farms Home Owner's Association attended and voiced their concerns and opposition of the Penn East Pipeline. The new proposed pipeline route is being projected in their area. The HOA asked if a Pipeline Committee could be established and the Township Committee advised that such a Committee would be formed by the Alexandria Township Environmental Commission. Mayor Pfefferle has met with representatives of the DEP regarding the pipeline. At this time the application is in with FERC and it will be up to the Federal level to stop the pipeline. The Township can recommend a path and if Penn East can't go that path they have to explain why. The most recent proposed pipeline route was changed February of this year.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Penneast Pipeline

Discussed during Public Comment for Agenda Related Items

- Ordinance 2016-001- To exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriations Limits and to Establish a Cap- *2nd Reading*

Comm. Garay made a motion, seconded by Comm. Abraham to open public comment for Ordinance 2016-001.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None
Abstain: None

Motion

Carried

As there were no public comments, Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to close open public comment for Ordinance 2016-001.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None
Abstain: None

Motion

Carried

Comm. Garay made a motion, seconded by Comm. Abraham to adopt Ordinance 2016-001.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None
Abstain: None

Motion

Carried

ORDINANCE 2016-001 FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF ALEXANDRIA, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to zero (.0%) unless authorized by Ordinance to increase it to three and one-half percent (3.5%) over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by Ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the three and one-half (3.5%) percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Alexandria in the County of Hunterdon finds it advisable and necessary to increase its 2016 budget by up to three and one-half percent (3.5%) over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee hereby determines that a three and one-half percent (3.5%) increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$66,481.40 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS the Township Committee hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Alexandria, in the County of Hunterdon, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the 2016 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Alexandria shall, in accordance with this Ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5 %, amounting to \$66,481.40, and that the 2016 municipal budget for the Township of Alexandria be approved and adopted in accordance with this Ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this Ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this Ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

ATTEST:

R. Christian Pfefferle, Mayor

Michele Bobrowski, RMC, Township Clerk

ROLL CALL FOR PUBLIC HEARING

	Moved	Seconded	Ayes	Nays
Chris Pfefferle, Mayor			X	
Paul Abraham, Committeeman		X	X	
Michelle Garay Committeewoman	X		X	

- Ordinance 2016-002- Speed Limit Establishment for Rick Road, Woolf Road, and Senator Stout Road-**2nd Reading**

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to open public comment for Ordinance 2016-002.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle
Nay: None
Abstain: None

Motion

Carried

As there were no public comments, Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to close open public comment for Ordinance 2016-002.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle
Nay: None
Abstain: None

Motion

Carried

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to adopt Ordinance 2016-002.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle
Nay: None
Abstain: None

Motion

Carried

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SPEED LIMITS ON SENATOR STOUT ROAD, RICK ROAD AND WOOLF ROAD IN THE TOWNSHIP OF ALEXANDRIA, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Ordinance # 2016-2

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-8b, et seq., the Township may establish speed limits along roadways within the Township's jurisdiction without having to obtain approval from the New Jersey Commissioner of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, Senator Stout Road, Rick Road and Woolf Road are roadways which are all wholly contained within the Township of Alexandria; and

WHEREAS, at the request of the Township Committee, the Alexandria Township Engineer has, in accordance with the *Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways* ("MUTCD") and New Jersey State Statute Title 39, conducted speed surveys and traffic investigations along Senator Stout Road, Rick Road and Woolf Road utilizing traffic and speed recording equipment furnished and operated by the Hunterdon County Engineer's office, in order to establish a realistic and reasonable speed limit along said roadways; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the aforesaid speed studies, the Township Engineer, by separate letters, each dated December 28, 2015, recommended the following:

a. that a speed limit of 40 MPH on Senator Stout Road be established along that road for its entire length, based upon the traffic count/speed data, road characteristics and the number of vehicles entering/exiting the high school property which is adjacent to it;

b. that based upon traffic count/speed data and road geometry (horizontal curves), a speed limit of 40 MPH should be established on the section of Rick Road from Utility Pole 14 (being located approximately 3,700 feet east of Rick Road and Little York-Mount Pleasant Road) to Utility Pole 38 (being located approximately 1,000 feet east of the intersection of Rick Road and Little York Mount Pleasant Road);

c. that based upon traffic count/speed data and road geometry, a speed limit of 40 MPH should be established on Woolf Road for its entire length. In the area of the S-turn at Foxwood Lane and horizontal curves on the approach to County Route 519, 20 MPH advisory speed signs should be posted; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee agrees with all the recommendations of the Township Engineer and wishes to incorporate them into this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Alexandria, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. As recommended by the Township Engineer, the following speed limits shall be established along the following named roadways:

a. Senator Stout Road - forty (40 m.p.h.) miles per hour, for the entire length of the roadway;

b. Rick Road - forty (40 m.p.h.) miles per hour, within the following section: between Utility Pole 14 (which at the time of this ordinance, is located at a point approximately 3,700 feet east of the intersection of Rick Road and Little York- Mount Pleasant Road) and Utility Pole 38 (which, at the time of this ordinance, is located at a point approximately 1,000 feet east of the intersection of Rick Road and Little York-Mount Pleasant Road). All other speed limitations on Rick Road shall remain in place.

c. Woolf Road - forty (40 m.p.h.) miles per hour, for the entire length. In the area of the S-turn at Foxwood Lane and horizontal curves on the approach to County Route 519, twenty (20 m.p.h) miles per hour advisory signs shall be posted.

Section 2. For the benefit of the public, upon final adoption of this Ordinance, the Township shall give public notice of its provisions by placement of signs pursuant to N.J.S.A. Section 39:4-198, any other applicable sections and the guidelines set forth by D.O.T.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be enforced by the New Jersey State Police Department pursuant to N.J.S.A. Sections 39:3-1 et seq. and 39:4-1 et seq., once it becomes effective and the proper signage has been put into place.

Section 4. This ordinance supersedes and repeals any ordinances, sections or portions of any other Township ordinances inconsistent herewith.

Section 5. If any portion of this ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such portion shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the ordinance.

Section 6 . This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final adoption and publication required by law.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 2016 Budget Introduction

Taxes will increase by 2 cents for 2016. This tax increase will generate \$143,000.00 to help offset the 2016 budget. The amount to be raised by taxes is \$1,530,983.20. The Township Committee will start the budget process in August/September to assist in the 2017 budget. The Township Committee wants a 5 year outlook and not go year to year in devising a budget. The Township Committee didn't want lay-offs at this time. There is a meeting tomorrow night with the Alexandria Middle School regarding their budget. The tax rate for Alexandria Township residents is going down to \$37.00 per \$100,000.00 for Del Val Regional HS.

- Well Capping or Well to Remain at Pepe Property

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to abandon the well at the Pepe property up to 300 feet.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

- Ordinance 2016-003 Appropriating \$120,000.00 from the Capital Fund Reserve for the Purchase of Public Works Equipment-*1st Reading*

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to approve Ordinance 2016-003 on 1st Reading. ***Public Hearing will be May 11, 2016.***

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

**AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$120,000.00 FROM THE CAPITAL FUND RESERVE FOR PUBLIC WORKS EQUIPMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF PUBLIC WORKS EQUIPMENT IN THE TOWNSHIP ALEXANDRIA, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO. 2016- 003**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Alexandria, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION ONE: The sum of \$120,000.00 is hereby appropriated from the Capital Fund Reserve Fund for Purchase of Public Works Equipment in

the General Capital Account for Purchase of Public Works Equipment and various appurtenances as required.

SECTION TWO: The period of usefulness of the upgrades and improvements, as defined by N.J.S.A. 40A:2-22, is at least 20 years.

SECTION THREE: The gross debt of the Township of Alexandria, as defined by N.J.S.A. 40A:2-43 will not be increased by this ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its publication, following final adoption, as provided by law.

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- Resolution 2016-051 Final Approval of Cost Share for the Kluber Farm, B-20.01, L-9

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to approve Resolution 2016-051.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION 2016-051 OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ALEXANDRIA,
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL OF COST SHARE FOR
THE KLUBER FARM, BLOCK 20.01 , LOT 9**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC) has certified a market value (CMV) of \$9,700.00 per acre for the development easement on property in the Township of Alexandria known as Bl. 20.01, Lot 9 consisting of approximately 53+/- acres, with one non-severable exception area totaling approximately 4 acres, owned by Peter and Ellen Kluber ("Property Owners") which farm (also referred to herein as "the Kluber Farm") is contained in Alexandria Township's Municipal Planning Incentive Grant list of farms and for which the Property Owners made an individual application to the Hunterdon County Planning Incentive Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, outside of the 4-acre non-severable exception area, which contains an existing single-family house, 3 car detached garage and outbuildings, there are zero (0) residential dwelling site opportunities, zero (0) agricultural labor units, zero (0) existing dwellings and zero (0) pre-existing non-agricultural uses contained upon the easement area;

WHEREAS, the Township has been advised that the SADC's proposed cost share for said farm will be at approximately 60 % of the CMV, with a resulting cost-share from the County of Hunterdon and the Township of Alexandria at 20% of CMV each, or approximately \$1,940.00 per acre; and

WHEREAS, the Township notified the Property Owners of the CMV and received a written acceptance from them dated March 15, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Alexandria, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey:

1. Grants and commits its final approval to fund the purchase of the development easement by the County of Hunterdon on the Kluber farm Bl. 20.01, Lot 9 based on the cost share calculated by the SADC in the amount of 20% of the CMV of \$9,700.00 per acre (53 acres x \$1,940 = \$102,820+/-), subject to any adjustments for survey or title.

2. Funding from Alexandria Township will come from the Township's Farmland/Open Space Trust Fund.

3. The Township's funding is conditioned on both the SADC and the County of Hunterdon adopting final resolutions approving their respective cost-shares and the County of Hunterdon entering into a contract with the Property Owners for the purchase of the development rights easement on the Kluber Farm.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Municipal Clerk is directed to forward certified copies of this Resolution to the Hunterdon County Agricultural Development Board and the New Jersey State Agriculture Development Committee as requested and required.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

- Resolution 2016-052 Homestead Rebate Tax Credit Refund B-17.02, L-18 Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to approve Resolution 2016-052.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION 2016-052 OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ALEXANDRIA,
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY REFUND
OF HOMESTEAD REBATE CREDIT B-17.02, L-18**

WHEREAS, a homestead rebate credit was received in 2016 for filing year 2013 for property known as Block 17.02 Lot 18, Assessed Owner: Marshall McPeek; and

WHEREAS, said property is tax exempt for the year 2016 thus creating an overpayment on the account; and

WHEREAS, property owner is entitled to a refund of the homestead rebate credit;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Alexandria, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer be directed to issue a refund check in the amount of \$261.80 to: Marshall McPeek, PO Box 302, Milford NJ 08848

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be provided to the Tax Collector and Chief Financial Officer.

- Resolution 2016-053 Tax Credit for B-2, L-2.01
Comm. Garay made a motion, seconded by Comm. Abraham to approve Resolution 2016-053.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

**RESOLUTION 2016-053 OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ALEXANDRIA,
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TAX
OVERPAYMENT FOR B-2, L-2.01**

WHEREAS, the Tax Court for the State of New Jersey issued a judgment reducing the 2015 assessment for Block 2 Lot 2.01 to \$1,200,000., and

WHEREAS, the judgment caused an overpayment of the 2015 taxes in the amount of \$30.02; and

WHEREAS, the attorney for the property owner has requested the refund be issued;

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Township of Alexandria, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey that the CFO be

directed to issue a check for the overpayment of the 2015 taxes as a result of the judgment in the amount of \$30.02 made payable to: Carla Katza, c/o Skoloff & Wolfe, PC, 293 Eisenhower Parkway, Livingston NJ 07039;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be provided to the Tax Collector and Chief Financial Officer.

- Request to Waive Interest B 13.02, L-3.26
Township Committee will not waive interest.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Mayor Pfefferle read the following report prepared by Township Engineer Robert O'Brien:

1.) Garage Site Remediation/LSRP:

No Update

2.) Pepe Property Environmental Investigation:

3/23/2016-Soil Samples taken from septic disposal field and tank. Preliminary test results indicate no levels detected that exceed current soil clean-up standards. A full report to follow under separate cover. Sludge within existing septic tank should be removed and disposed of in accordance with current health department regulations. Once completed, tank can be abandoned in-place (filled).

3.) DPW Pole Building:

Notice of Award to be issued to low bidder once Committee formally awards contract.

- 4.)** Minor subdivision and major subdivision checklists and the "Table of Performance and Dimensional Regulations-4/10/2016-Working to revise checklist and table to update per 2012 Ordinance.

BILL LIST:

Comm. Garay made a motion, seconded by Comm. Abraham to approve the following bill list except for a bill from Hatch Mott MacDonald, PO # 1097 in the amount of \$58,275.00. More information is needed before bill can be paid.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Motion Carried

Current Fund

1.) Budget and Appropriation Reserves	\$ 97, 065.72
Other Trust Fund:	
1.) Reserves	9,964.24
2.) Grants	2, 825.00
General Capital Fund	
1.) Ordinances	12,766.55
COAH	8.00

Farm Preservation	
1.) Budget and App. Reserves	2,219.57
Dog Fund	800.00
Developers Escrow	
1.) Bank of America	
2.) Fulton Bank	
3.) Hopewell Valley	5,248.00

TOTAL CHECKS PER DETAIL LIST ATTACHED:
\$130,897.08

Other disbursements	
1.) Regional High School	
2.) Local School	1,114,227.00
3.) County Taxes	605,543.47
4.) Library Taxes	60,565.12
5.) County Open Space Tax	60,202.46
6.) Tax Over-Payments	30.02
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	\$ 1,840,568.07

Total payments presented to the Township Committee \$ 1,971,465.15

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- February 10, 2016 Township Committee Special Meeting
- March 3, 2016 Township Committee Closed Session Meeting with the Planning Board
- March 3, 2016 Township Budget Meeting # 1
- March 3, 2016 Executive Session Meeting
- March 10, 2016 Township Committee Special Meeting
- March 10, 2016 Township Committee Meeting
- March 10, 2016 Executive Session Meeting-1st Session
- March 10, 2016 Executive Session Meeting-2nd Session
- March 17, 2016 Special Joint Meeting with Planning Board regarding Mt. Laurel Housing
- March 17, 2016 Executive Session

- March 23, 2016 Township Budget Meeting # 2
- March 23, 2016 Executive Session

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to approve the above Township Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Meeting Minutes.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENT ON GENERAL MATTERS:

- Resident Jim Pauch questioned why Hatch Mott MacDonald (HMM) had to do review of a Farmland Preservation Application. Mr. Pauch was advised that HMM reviewed a ROW for the Case Farm as referred by the Township Committee at the March 9, 2016 Township Meeting. The State Agriculture Board wanted to know if Sky Manor Road would be widened in the future.
- Resident Curtis Schick questioned what was going to be done with the dirt cut out by the new DPW garage. He is concerned about the building being built up to it. Township Clerk Michele Bobrowski will speak to the DPW about the area. Mr. Schick also noted that the Township should look into installing swales on road projects instead on basins and outlets as they would be less expensive.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Free Tree Seedlings will be available on a first come, first serve basis on Saturday, April 23rd from 9:00 AM to 12 Noon at the Municipal Offices.
- The Hunterdon County Community Day is scheduled for Saturday, June 4th from 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM at the County Fairgrounds-South County Park-1207 Route 179, Ringoes, NJ. There will be games, demos, pony rides, petting zoo, reptile show, outdoor games, dunk tank, shred day (Bring your documents to be shredded), hot air and tethered balloon rides. For more information visit www.hunterdonchamber.org.

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to move to Executive Session.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

**Motion to Approve Open Public Meeting Resolution for EXECUTIVE SESSION:
Open Public Meetings Act RESOLUTION- Executive Session**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 2:4-12, Open Public Meetings Act, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Alexandria, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the hereinafter specified subject matters.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

_____ A confidential or excluded matter under Federal or State Law or Court Rule.

_____ A matter involving information that may impair the Township's rights to receive funds from the United States Government.

_____ A matter constituting an unwarranted invasion of an individual's privacy rights.

 X Collective Bargaining Agreement or negotiation of the Agreement.
DPW Contract

 X Matters involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds which it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion were disclosed.

**Mt. Laurel Housing
Peacefield Management
Diocese of Metuchen, B-11, L-16 Ag Easement**

_____ Tactics and techniques to protect the safety and property of the public, including investigations of violations or potential violations of the law.

 X Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations in which the public body is or may become a party.

Mt. Salem Generator Service Contract Renewal

 X Matters falling within the attorney-client privilege.

DPW Garage Bids

_____ Personnel matters involving a specific employee or officer of the Township.
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_____ Deliberations of the Township occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific penalty or suspension or loss of a license or permit.

3. It is anticipated at this time that the above matter will be made public: at the conclusion of the litigation and at such time as attorney client confidentiality is no longer needed to protect confidentiality and litigation strategy.

4. The executive session minutes will be placed on file in the township clerk's office, and will be available to the public as provided for by New Jersey law.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately .

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to return to Public Session.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

MOTIONS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to place \$1,500.00 in escrow for Econsult and \$2,000.00 in escrow for the Vicinage 13 Municipal Group pertaining to Mt. Laurel Housing Litigation.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to sign the option agreement for the Diocese of Metuchen that was received from the State of New Jersey Agriculture Retention and Development Program.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

Comm. Garay made a motion, seconded by Comm. Abraham to award bid to Security Structures in the amount of \$ 494, 681.00 for the construction of a 70 x 120 DPW storage building and wash bay.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to approve Resolution 2016-54.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION 2016-054 OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ALEXANDRIA, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY PERTAINING TO THE PROPOSED

**CONTRACT WITH LOCAL UNION NO. 469 AFFILIATED WITH THE
INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF TEAMSTERS, CHAUFFEURS,
WAREHOUSEMEN AND HELPERS OF AMERICA ON BEHALF OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES OF ALEXANDRIA
TOWNSHIP**

WHEREAS, the Township Committee is desirous in ensuring that local government be conducted in accordance with all appropriate laws, rules, ordinances and regulations, and in a fiscally responsible manner, and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee entered into a Collective Bargaining Agreement dated August 8, 2012 (hereinafter the "Contract") with Local Union No. 469 Affiliated with International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers of America (hereinafter the "Union"), which Contract governs the terms and conditions of employment for all Department of Public Works employees employed by the Township, and

WHEREAS, the Contract expired on December 31, 2015 and must be renewed, and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2015-77 was previously authorized by the 2015 Township Committee October 14, 2015 but said Contract was not executed by the Township Committee in 2015 and thus lapsed, and

WHEREAS, the representatives of the Township Committee and the Union have successfully negotiated the terms and conditions for a new contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Alexandria, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey, on this 13th day of April, 2016, that the Mayor is authorized to enter into a new contract on behalf of the Township with the Union which contains the all the same terms and conditions as the previous contact except as modified as follows:

1. Longevity shall be eliminated for all new employees hired beginning on January 1, 2016.
2. Retiree Health Benefits shall be eliminated for all new employees hired beginning on January 1, 2016.
3. With respect to health insurance waivers, consistent with applicable law, new employees shall receive either 25% or \$5,000.00, whichever is less, for the health insurance waiver reimbursement.
4. The new contract term shall be for five (5) years, expiring on midnight on December 31, 2020.

5. The DPW employees shall be permitted to keep their current clothing and safety glasses allowance.

6. Call outs will remain the same as in the current Contract.

7. The salary increases for the five year term shall be as follows: 2016-2.5%; 2017-2%; 2018-1.75%; 2019-1.25%; and 2020-1% for a total overall increase of 8.5%.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The following matters were discussed in Executive Session:

- **Mt. Laurel Housing/Attorney-Client Privilege:**

Need to deposit \$1,500.00 to cover retention of Econsult and the immediate contribution of \$2,000.00 to continue to fund the ongoing litigation between members of the consortium and Fair Share Housing Center and the New Jersey Builders Association.

- **DPW Contract/Contract Negotiations:**

Township Committee reviewed Resolution 2016-054 reflecting language change in the new DPW contract.

- **DPW Bids/Contract Negotiations:**

Three bids were received for the construction of a 70 x 120 DPW storage building and wash bay. The three bids were:

DeSapio Construction \$ 657,400.00

Cooper Smith Brothers \$ 620,000.00

Security Structures \$ 494,681.00

The Township Committee will move forward with the lowest bid.

- **Peacefield Management-680 Route 513/Land Acquisition:**

Matter to stay in Executive Session.

- **Diocese of Metuchen, B-11, L- 16 Ag Easement/Land Acquisition:**

Township Committee reviewed the option agreement received from the State for the Agriculture Retention and Development Program for the above.

- **Mt. Salem Generator Service Contract Renewal/Contract Negotiations:**

Township Clerk will obtain additional quotes from other vendors for the servicing of the generator at the Municipal Offices.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to adjourn.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

Meeting Adjourned at 10:13 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Michele Bobrowski, RMC

Township Clerk

I hereby certify that I have reviewed these Minutes of the Township Committee Meeting of April 13, 2016 and certify that said Minutes were approved unanimously by the Township Committee on the 11th day of May 2016.

R. Christian Pfefferle, Mayor

Dated: _____